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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Gillenwater, Russell L., et al.

Serial No. 10/664,103

Filed: September 17, 2003

For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR SEQUENCING
AND PERFORMING VERY HIGH SPEED SOFTWARE
DOWNLOADS CONCURRENT WITH SYSTEM TESTING
IN AN AUTOMATED PRODUCTION ENVIRONMENT

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Beausoliel Jr., Robert W.
Group Art Unit: 2113

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Minor changes have been made to the specification and abstract. Claims 11, 14, 24, 31, 34, 44 and 44 are amended, and claims 1-60 remain in the application.